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City of Auburn
1225 Lincoln Way
Auburn CA, 95603

To the City of Auburn Planning Commission and City Council Members,

My name is Kelly Lanphear and I am the oldest daughter of Richard and Leslie Sipe. I am writing this letter to convey my opposition to the Baltimore Ravine Specific Plan – Access Options 4 and 5 through the Sipe property.


During my lifetime I have watched my Mom, Dad and Grandparents allow the city to access the family property to support the growing community with the installation of a city sewer line and Pacific Gas and Electric Company electrical pole and lines to support the building of the Auburn Dam.

My Mom is very proud of her family heritage and their roots in the City of Auburn and has raised her three children and grand children on the property with her deepest desire to one day have the ability to have her children inherit and build their family homes on the property. While my Father was still alive, over three years ago, we started the process of requesting the city to allow us to split the property into two acre plots with no resolution to date. It was my intention once the lot split was approved to look into building a house on the hill you are planning to take from us with your Options 4 and 5.

Personally I feel the less evasive Options 1 and 2 are the most economically sound for the city, while Options 4 and 5 seem to be the most costly. I don't feel taking one third of the property my Mom still has to support this plan is your best option.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,



Kelly Lanphear

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